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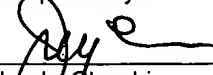
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Concise Explanation

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An impact safety device, fixed to moving equipment (1), such a radiology systems, likely to come into collision with a solid body (3). The device comprises a base (4) secured to the equipment on which are fixed two elastic supports (5) and two mini breakers (6); a floating plate (7), fixed to the base by struts (8) set into the center of the elastic supports and comprising tabs (9) which, in the normal position, bear on the mini-breakers which they engage by contact, this plate being intended, in the event of impact, to pivot about the elastic supports triggering a mini-breaker by detaching from one of the tabs; a flexible cover (10) completely protecting the device and intended to distribute the impact over the entire surface of the base.

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In a radiography apparatus, breast tissue to be localized is immovably held in a box-like container with a vertically adjustable cover. The container end walls have vertical slots for passage of screw-elements of clamps. Easy cleaning and disinfection permit repeated re-use of the container.

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